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A Response to Restriction Requirement for Application No. 10/786,475 follows.

Thank you,
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In re application of:

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Application No.:

10/786,475

Examiner:

Russell S. Negin

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Group: 1631

Title: Improvements to Analysis Methods for

Individual Genotyping

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION

REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed July 19, 2006, Applicants respectfully elect to prosecute claims in Group I (Claims 1-77), drawn to a method, apparatus, computer readable media, or computer implemented method for determining a genotype of at least one individual from a genetic marker, classified in class 702, subclass 19, in the above-identified application.

The Restriction Requirement further required species elections for Group I. With respect to Category #1 (claims 13-15), Applicants elect to prosecute claims for which the subsets comprise three density centers. Claims 13 reads on the elected specie since it describes such an embodiment. With respect to Category #2 (claims 19, 20), Applicants elect to prosecute claims for which the probability clustering process is initiated using a solution obtained by at least one

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K-means algorithm. Claims 20 reads on the elected specie since it describes such an

embodiment.

Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and action toward that end is respectfully requested. If any fees are due (or any fees are to be credited) in connection with the filing of this Response to Restriction Requirement, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to the Perlegen Sciences, Inc. Deposit Account 50-2043. If the Examiner believes that a telephone interview would expedite the allowance of this application, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,

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